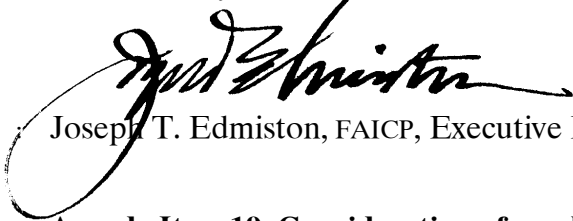


Memorandum

To : The Conservancy
The Advisory Committee

Date: July 28, 2003

From : 
Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Executive Director

Subject: **Agenda Item 19: Consideration of resolution amending the Newhall Pass Wildlife Corridor-- West of I-5 project in the Land Acquisition Workprogram to include additional land in East Canyon/Leaming Canyon between Santa Clarita Woodlands Park and The Old Road, unincorporated Newhall area.**

Staff Recommendation: That the Conservancy adopt the attached resolution amending the Newhall Pass Wildlife Corridor--West of I-5 project in the Land Acquisition Workprogram to include additional land in East/Leaming Canyon between Santa Clarita Woodlands Park and The Old Road.

Legislative Authority: Section 33208 of the Public Resources Code.

Background: APNs 2826-025-002 and 016 comprise almost 12 acres in the mouth of Leaming Canyon. Santa Clarita Woodlands Park lies adjacent to the properties to the south, east, and west. The Newhall Pass Wildlife Corridor - West of I-5 project boundaries currently do not include these two parcels. The parcels contain coast live oak, California walnut woodland, and valley oak habitat. The proposed action would amend the project boundaries to include these two parcels. Agenda item 21 recommends acquisition of the parcels and provides further background information on the project. Agenda item 20 recommends adding the parcels to the Newhall Pass Wildlife Corridor - West of I-5 Project Plan.